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DEPARTMENT FOR A/O

WHITE HOUSE FOR ADVANCE OFFICE AND NORMAL EUROPEAN TRIP
DISTRIBUTION

BONN FOR CAVANEY PREADVANCE TEAM

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP, PL (GERALD R. FORD)

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL VISIT

1. IN MEETING AT FOREIGN MINISTRY JUST CONCLUDED GOP RE-
VERSED PREVIOUS POSITION AND STRONGLY URGED REPEAT STRONGLY
URGED THAT PRESIDENT FORD ACCOMPANY FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK
IN LATTERS LIMOUSINE IN MOTORCADE FROM AIRPORT TO WALNOW
PALACE. THERE ARE SEVERAL PROPOSED STOPS EN ROUTE PALACE.
VICE MINISTER SPASOWSKI STRESSED THAT IT WAS A MATTER OF
PERSONAL PRESTIGE FOR THE FIRST SECRETARY TO HAVE THE
PRESIDENT RIDE WITH HIM WHEN THE TWO TRAVELED TOGETHER IN
POLAND.

2. ADVANCE TEAM COUNTERED FIRMLY FOR USE OF U.S. PRESI-
DENTIAL LIMOUSINE. GOP DID NOT ACCEPT U.S. PRO-
POSAL AS THEY DID ON PREVIOUS DATE.

3. U.S. WAS INFORMED THAT ABOVE MOTORCADE WILL BE
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THE ONLY MOTORCADE IN WARSAW IN WHICH THE PRESIDENT

WOULD RIDE IN FIRST SECRETARY'S LIMOUSINE.

4. THE POLISH PROPOSAL INDICATED THAT OUR LIMOUSINE
WILL FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY BEHIND THE FIRST SECRETARY'S.

5. FRANK WILSON HAS INDICATED THAT IF THIS SITUATION
PREVAILS MRS. FORD AND MRS. GIEREK WILL RIDE IN OUR
LIMOUSINE.

6. U.S. DINNER AT WILANOW ON NIGHT OF 28TH WILL
HAVE 40 TOTAL. MUSIC ARRANGED. FIFTEEN MINUTE MINGLE FOR
PRES. AND MRS. FORD PRIOR TO DINNER WITH COFFEE AND
LIQUER SERVED AFTERWARD.

7 WALKING TOUR OF OLD TOWN HAS GOOD COLOR POTENTIAL.
SUGGEST MRS. FORD ACCOMPANY.

8. FOR PETE SORUM: WILL JACK FORD ATTEND U.S. DINNER
AT WILANOW NIGHT OF 28TH?

9. FOR PETE SORUM: SUGGEST MRS. FORD NOT, REPEAT NOT
ACCOMPANY PRESIDENT ON TRIP TO AUSCHWITZ. ALTERNATE
ACTIVITIES WILL BE ARRANGED.

10. THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTS PROPOSALS FOR WREATH IN-
SCRIPTIONS AT (A) THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER (B)
THE GHETTO MONUMENT (C) THE NIKE MOUNMENT, AND (D) THE
INSCRIPTION FOR THE MEMORIAL BOOK AT THE TOMB OF THE
UNKNOWN SOLDIER.

1. WREATH AT THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER - THERE
IS SOME FLEXIBILITY IN THIS INSTANCE SINCE THE PRESIDENT
WILL SIGN THE MEMORIAL BOOK IN ADDITION TO LAYING THE
WREATH. THUS, THE WREATH INSCRIPTION COULD READ SIMPLY
"THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA" WITH
A MORE EXTENDED MESSAGE WRITTEN IN THE MEMORIAL BOOK.
IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT NORMALLY ALL SUCH INSCRIPTIONS
ARE REPORTED IN THE PRESS FOLLOWING THE EVENT.
AS ALTERNATIVES YOU COULD CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING:

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A. "TO THE MEMORY OF THE FALLEN HEROES OF POLAND"
(NOTE: THIS IS SIMILAR TO GISCARD D'ESTAIGN
INSCRIPTION WHICH SAID "TO THE MEMORY OF ALL
THE FALLEN HEROES OF HEROIC POLAND".)

B. "TO THE HEROIC POLES"
(NOTE: THIS IS MORE ELOQUENT AND INCLUDES ALL
POLES EVERYWHERE AND FOR ALL TIME.).

12. INSCRIPTION FOR MEMORIAL BOOK AT TOMB OF THE
UNKNOWN SOLDIER:

POLISH EXILES FOUGHT IN FOREIGN LANDS. THE SLOGAN WAS RE-
VIVED PERIODICALLY AND BECAME AGAIN RELEVANT DURING
WORLD WAR II.

13. THE GHETTO MEMORIAL WREATH INSCRIPTION: THE FOLLOWING
ALTERNATIVES COULD BE CONSIDERED:

A. "IN HONOR OF THOSE WHOSE CAUSE ENDURES - FREEDOM AND
HUMAN DIGNITY". THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

B. "IN HONOR OF THOSE WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES FOR FREEDOM
AND HUMAN DIGNITY". THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

C. "TO THE MEMORY OF THE HEROES OF THE WARSAW GHETTO".
THE PREIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

ALTHOUGH (A) IS LONGER IT IS RECOMMENDED. ITS MEANING
EMBRACES BOTH THE HELPLESS VICTIMS OF THE GHETTO AND THE JEWISH
FIGHTERS, MOREOVER, IT IS FORWARD LOOKING AND ALSO SUGGESTS
THAT THEIR FINAL ACT WAS NOT WITHOUT SIGNIFICANCE. NUMBER
TWO CONVEYS THE SAME MEANING PERHAPS WITHOUT THE ELOQUENCE.
NUMBER THREE IS POSSIBLY TOO SPECIFIC IN THAT IT OBVIOUSLY IN-
CLUDES ONLY THOSE WHO SUFFERED IN THE WARSAW GHETTO, WHICH ITSELF
WAS ONLY ONE OF MANY IN POLAND AND ELSEWHERE.

14. THE NIKE MEMORAIL WREATH INSCRIPTION:

THE EMBASSY IN THE PAST HAS USED THE FOLLOWING:

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"TO THE MEMORY OF THE HEROES OF THE WARSAW UPRISING".
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.
THIS WOULD SEEM APPROPRIATE SINCE THE DATE IS CLOSE TO THE
AUGUST 1 ANNIVERSARY DATE OF THE WARSAW UPRISING.

1. ADVISE ETA IN KRAKOW 7/24.

WARM WISHES FROM WARSAW.
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